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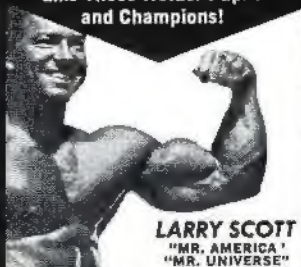


WHAT IS THE SECRET OF HIS POWER? WHY CAN NO ONE STOP--

THE COBALT MAN!

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Send For Free Information On How
**YOU, TOO, CAN OWN
A POWER-PACK BODY**
Like These Weider Pupils
and Champions!



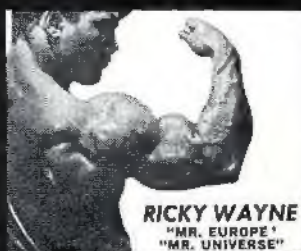
LARRY SCOTT
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Twice "Mr. Olympia" winner—Larry stands 5' 7", weighs 205 lbs. and has a pair of 20" arms! He is considered one of the world's best-built men—but he was a 136-lb. weakling before mailing the coupon! This Can Happen To You Too!



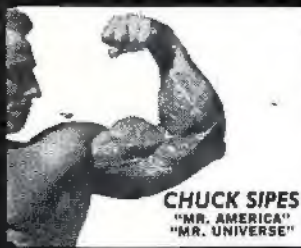
FREDDY ORTIZ
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner—Freddy stands 5' 5", weighs 185 lbs. of rock-hard muscle. His arms measure 19" and he is considered the best-built short man in the world. Yet, he was a 115-lb. skinny weakling before sending in the coupon! Why Not You?



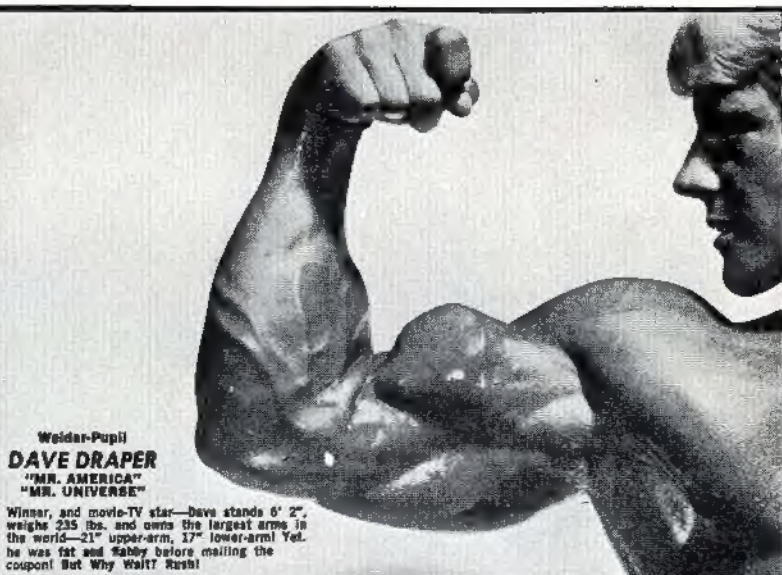
RICKY WAYNE
"MR. EUROPE"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner—Ricky is 5' 6", weighs 198 lbs. of Herculean muscle. His arms measure a full 19 1/2", and he is considered the best-built man in Europe today. He weighed a pitiful 123 lbs. before sending the coupon! And It Can Happen To You!



CHUCK SIPES
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner—Chuck stands 6", weighs 225 lbs., and has a pair of 20" arms—among the strongest in the world! He was a 141-lb. weakling before sending in the free coupon! Now How About You?



Weider-Pupil
DAVE DRAPER
"MR. AMERICA"
"MR. UNIVERSE"

Winner, and movie-TV star—Dave stands 6' 2", weighs 235 lbs., and owns the largest arms in the world—21" upper-arm, 17" lower-arm! Yet, he was fat and lanky before mailing the coupon! But Why Wait? Rush!

FREE! MUSCLE COURSE THAT CAN ADD 3 INCHES TO YOUR ARMS FAST! ...AND MAKE YOU INTO AN ATHLETIC VIRILE HE-MAN!!

In half the time, with twice the ease, in the privacy of your own room, in just a few minutes a day, I will, through my "TRIPLE-PROGRESSION COURSE" that I want to send you FREE, guarantee that virtually overnight, you will experience a muscle-building miracle! Before your eyes you'll slap on inches of steel-hard muscles to your pipe-stem arms, pack your chest with power and size, give yourself life-guard shoulders, dynamic, speedy, athletic legs. Add jet-charged strength to every muscle in your body. I don't care if, today, you own the scraggiest, flabbiest, skinniest or funniest-looking body, whether you're tall or short, young or not-so-young, skinny or fat, office-worker, laborer, school-boy or businessman, I must make a new,

virile he-man out of you—with handsome muscles bursting out all over! They will ripple with power, vibrate with energy! And for the first time in your life, men will envy your body—women admire it, because at last you will own a body that brings you fame instead of shame! What I did for Dave Draper "Mr. Universe" winner, and for hundreds of other champions since 1936, I am ready to do for you! A-C-T-I-O-N is the key to strength! Fill out the coupon below NOW! Rush it to me—and in hours, with no charge to you—at my own expense, you too, like Dave Draper did, will start putting an end to your weakness! You have nothing to lose but your weakness! ACT NOW!—SUPPLY IS LIMITED!

THIS GIANT 32 PAGE COURSE

WRITE TO: **JOE WEIDER** Dept. 83-112 G
TRAINER OF CHAMPIONS SINCE 1936,
25 Maple Street
Norwood, N.J. 07648

Dear Joe: Shoot the works! I am saying YES to becoming a New Man! Rush me your free Muscle-Building Information which I can use right now at home to build a handsome and useful body.

I enclose only 25c to cover the cost of handling and mailing. I am under no further obligation.

NAME _____
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CITY _____ STATE _____
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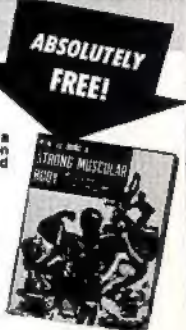
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I have ☒ where I need more muscles

- I Want: ☐ Bigger Arms ☐ Larger Neck ☐ Deeper Chest
☐ Trim Waist ☐ Athletic Legs ☐ Added Weight
☐ Broader Shoulders ☐ More Endurance and Power



JOE WEIDER
Personal trainer of "Mr. America" "Mr. Universe" "Mr. Canada" perfect men title winners since 1936—and over 2,000,000 successful pupils the world over!



MAIL COUPON TODAY! NO OBLIGATION! NOTHING TO BUY!

X-MEN! THE MOST UNUSUAL FIGHTING TEAM ^{OF ALL TIME!}

**"WE MUST DESTROY...
The COBALT MAN!"**

THE THUNDER ROLLS...
THE LIGHTNING FLASHES...
AND SUDDENLY, FROM
OUT OF DARK, CASCADING
CLOUDS, THERE HURTLING
THE HIGH-FLYING ANGEL...
HIS GLEAMING WINGS,
HIS HYPER-TRAINING TO
MUSCLES STRAINING TO
THE UTMOST, AS HE
PLUMMETS SKILLFULLY
BETWEEN TWO CRISS-
CROSSING PILLARS
OF SEARING FIRE...

WITH EACH
PASS I MAKE, THE
FLAMES COME
CLOSER! THIS TIME,
I COULD FEEL THEM
SCORCH MY
WINGS!

LET'S HEAR
IT FOR MERRY MARVEL'S
OWN PEERLESS PERIODIC
TABLE!

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PENCILLING BY: **WERNER ROTH**
IRIDIUM-BRIGHT
INKING BY: **JOHN TARTAGLIONE**
LEAD-LINED
LETTERING BY: **SAM ROSEN**

STABLE ELEMENTS ALL!

AND, NEXT
TIME, I MAY NOT
BE AS LUCKY
AS THAT!

THUS, NOW THAT YOU'RE
EMPATHETICALLY AND PSYCHO-
LOGICALLY PREPARED FOR
THE EPOCHAL EVENTS WHICH
FOLLOW, LET'S COMMENCE
OUR AWE-INSPIRING ANNAL!
(IN OTHER WORDS, WE DON'T
KNOW WHAT'S GOIN' ON TILL
WE TURN THE PAGE, EITHER!)

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THE ANGEL'S IN TROUBLE, HANK! IT'S UP TO YOU NOW... YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO!

WITH ALL PROPER DISPATCH, MR. SUMMERS!

GO GET 'EM, BEASTIE!



YOUR ADMONITION IS SOMEWHAT SUPERFLUOUS, BOBBY BOY... BUT, IT DOES CUT TO THE QUICK OF THE MATTER!

GO GET HIM, INDEED!

SPRING!



HANK! HOW IN BLAZES DID YOU GET UP HERE?

THAT, MY FEATHERED FRIEND, IS SCARCELY THE ISSUE AT HAND!

FOR THE IMMEDIATE PRESENT, JUST SEE THAT I TARRY HERE A WHILE!



IS THAT ALL, MR. MCCOY?

NO BOONER SAID THAN SOLVED! GRAB HOLD... THERE!

MANY THANKS, LAD! BUT... IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THE SMOKE IS FAST ENVELOPING US!



YOU SAW RIGHT! AS OF NOW, I'M FLYING BLIND! KOF!!

AND, THOSE SWEEPING FLAMES AREN'T GETTING ANY FURTHER AWAY!

TAKE HEART, SON! ALL THIS HAS ALREADY ENTERED INTO OUR VIRTUALLY IMPECCABLE CONSIDERATIONS!

AT LEAST, I HOPE IT HAS!



WHILE, DIRECTLY BELOW... NOW, BOBBY... NOW!!

I'M DOIN' THE BEST I CAN, CYKE! THIS ICEBOUND MAYPOLE SHOULD BULP ALL THE WAY TO THE CEILING!

I JUST HOPE HANK'S SIZE-THIRTEENS ARE ALL THEY'RE CRACKED UP TO BE!



AND, AT ALMOST THAT EXACT MOMENT, TWENTY FEET ABOVE THE FLOOR...

YOU CAME THROUGH, HANK! YOU FOUND ICEMAN'S GUIDEPOLE!

ELEMENTARY, MY DEAR WARREN...

ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS POSSESS A PAIR OF SUPER-SENSITIVE PEDAL EXTREMITIES LIKE MINE!



CHARLES ATLAS, World's No. 1 Body Builder, says:

Don't Be Half A Man!

Let ME SHOW How I Can Make You a Real HE-MAN From Head to Toe — in Just 15 Minutes a Day!

Take a good honest look at yourself! Are you proud of your body — or are you satisfied to go through life being just "half the man" you could be? No matter how ashamed you are of your present physical condition — or how old or young you are — the "sleeping" muscles already present in your body can turn you into a real HE-MAN! Believe me, I know — because I was once a skinny, scrawny 97-pound half-alive weakling! People used to laugh at my build and make fun of me. I was ashamed to strip for sports or the beach... shy of girls... afraid of healthy competition.

HOW I CHANGED FROM A "MOUSE" TO A MAN!

One day, I discovered a secret that changed me from a timid, frightened scarecrow into "The World's Most Perfectly Developed Man" — a "magic formula" that can help turn you, too, into a marvellous physical specimen... a real HE-MAN from head to toe... a man who STANDS OUT in any crowd! What's my secret? "DYNAMIC-TENSION" — the natural method! No theory. No gadgets or contraptions. You just do as I did. Simply take the "sleeping" muscles already present inside your own body — build them up — use them every day in walking, bending over, reaching, even sitting! Almost before you know it, you're covered with a brand-new suit of beautiful, rock-hard SOLID MUSCLE!

MY SECRET BUILDS MUSCLES FAST!

Just 15 minutes each day in the privacy of your room is all it takes to make your chest and shoulder muscles swell so big they almost split your coat seams... turn your fists into sledge-hammers... build mighty legs that never tire! Mail coupon today for my famous book showing how "Dynamic-Tension" can give you a Body by Atlas. Charles Atlas, Dept. 6010 115 E. 23 St., New York, N. Y. 10010.

Charles Atlas

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5 FREE GIFTS

If you act now, in addition to my complete course, you will also get these five valuable outline courses.

- DEEP CHEST
- BIG ARM MUSCLES
- TIRELESS LEGS
- MAGNETIC PERSONALITY
- BROAD SHOULDERS

DO YOU WANT...

A DEEP CHEST?
I can add SOLID INCHES of powerful muscle to your chest — making your look and feel like a gladiator.

BIG ARM MUSCLES?
You'll see and feel your arm muscles BULGE out with super power and energy.

TIRELESS LEGS?
I make your legs strong and powerful with the tireless drive of a long distance runner.

MAGNETIC PERSONALITY?
"Dynamic-Tension" makes you alive with vitality — the husky respect and woman admiring.

BROAD SHOULDERS?
"Dynamic-Tension" will broaden your shoulders. You'll see and feel it in 7 DAYS!

MORE WEIGHT?
You'll gain pounds in the right places. "Dynamic-Tension" rebuilds you by the side and out.

THEN MAIL THIS NOW!

- HERE'S THE KIND OF BODY I WANT:
- ☐ MORE MUSCLE — BIGGER CHEST
 - ☐ BIG ARM MUSCLES
 - ☐ BROAD BACK & SHOULDERS
 - ☐ TIRELESS LEGS
 - ☐ MORE WEIGHT
 - ☐ MAGNETIC PERSONALITY

CHARLES ATLAS
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I enclose 10¢. Show me how "Dynamic-Tension" can make me a new man. Send your famous 32-page book, full of pictures, valuable advice. No obligation.

Print Name.....Age.....
Address.....
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In England send to Charles Atlas, 21 Poland St., London W. 1

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CHARLES ATLAS ON TV



THE INSULT THAT MADE A MAN OUT OF 'MAC'





UH, THERE'S NO NEED FOR THAT, CYCLOPS! IN FACT, I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK YOU!

THESE BOOKS THAT JEAN BROUGHT US...ON PRE-COLUMBIAN CIVILIZATION...WERE NEVER RETURNED!

AND, YOU'D LIKE ME TO TAKE THEM BACK TO HER?

I'D...BE GLAD TO, SIR!

ER, I'LL SEE YOU, PEOPLE!



HE MUST KNOW THAT ANGEL IS INTERESTED IN JEAN, TOO! AND, WARREN'LL BE CRUISING AROUND IN HIS CAR, ANYWAY!

SO, I WONDER WHY HE ASKED ME TO GIVE THE BOOKS TO JEANIE!?

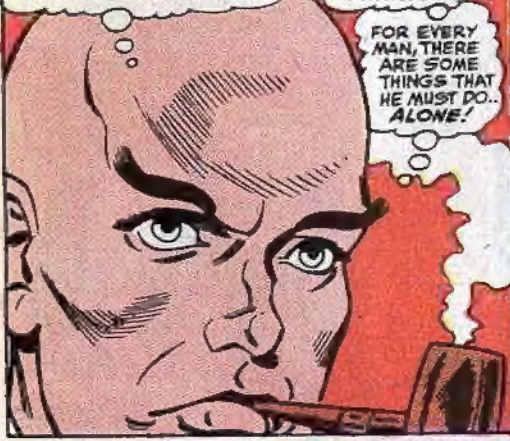
IS SHE EXPECTING THEM, PROFESSOR? I KNOW SHE HAS SOME TESTS NEXT WEEK!

I WROTE HER THAT I'D SEND... SOMEONE THANK YOU FOR GOING! SCOTT!

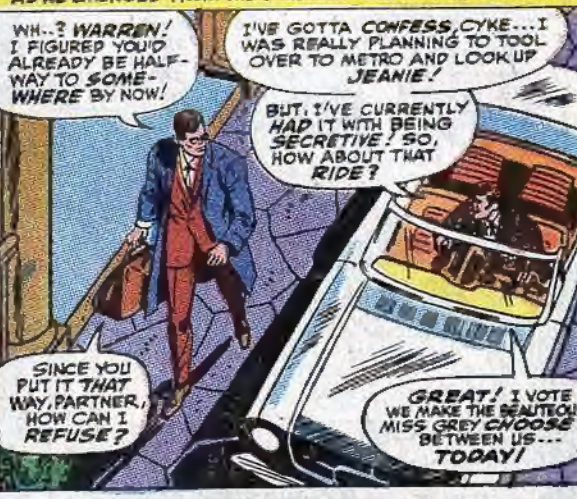
FOR MONTHS, I'VE KNOWN THAT SCOTT LOVES JEAN... AND FEELS HE HASN'T THE RIGHT TO TELL HER! PERHAPS AN EGGHEAD PROF CAN GIVE CUPID A HELPING HAND!

MORE IMPORTANTLY, I WANTED EVERYONE GONE... SO I COULD PURSUE SOME EXPERIMENTS... IN PRIVATE!

FOR EVERY MAN, THERE ARE SOME THINGS THAT HE MUST DO... ALONE!



JUST NOW, HOWEVER, WE MUST LEAVE CHARLES XAMER TO HIS ENIGMATIC PONDERINGS... AND PICK UP ON SCOTT SUMMERS, AS HE EMERGES FROM THE SCHOOL A SHORT TIME LATER...



WH...? WARREN! I FIGURED YOU'D ALREADY BE HALF-WAY TO SOMEWHERE BY NOW!

I'VE GOTTA CONFESS, CYKE... I WAS REALLY PLANNING TO TOOL OVER TO METRO AND LOOK UP JEANIE!

BUT, I'VE CURRENTLY HAD IT WITH BEING SECRETIVE! SO, HOW ABOUT THAT RIDE?

SINCE YOU PUT IT THAT WAY, PARTNER, HOW CAN I REFUSE?

GREAT! I VOTE WE MAKE THE BEAUTIFUL MISS GREY CHOOSE BETWEEN US... TODAY!

AND AS THE TWO RECONCILED RIVALS WHEEL THEIR WAY TOWARDS THE GIRL THEY BOTH ADORE, ANOTHER PERPLEXING PROBLEM IS REARING ITS HEAD IN A MOST UNEXPECTED AREA...



SPECIAL SOCKS... OVER-SIZED SHOES... THIS BEING A MUTANT ISN'T ALL ONE MIGHT HOPE!

MUTANT! IT'S ONLY HERE THAT THE WORD CAN BE SPOKEN WITHOUT AROUSING FEAR... AND HATRED!

HERE... I'M A MUTANT... AN X-MAN! OUT THERE, I'M NOTHING BUT A MISSHAPEN FREAK... OR WORSE!



SO, I TAKE REFUGE BEHIND A VOCABULARY... AND WOULD GIVE HALF MY LIFE IF I COULD HAVE BEEN BORN... A MERE HOMO SAPIENS!

OH... HELLO, ROBERT, M'LAD! I CALLED THE BIRDS, BEASTIE! THEY'LL BE WAITIN' AT THE COFFEE A GO-GO!

EXCELLENT, BOBBY! I SHALL BE READY, SUMMARILY...

THERE I GO AGAIN! MAYBE THERE IS NO MORE HANK P. MCCOY... PERHAPS HE'S BEEN SUPPLANTED BY THE OMNIPRESENT BEAST!

BUT NOW, JUST TO PROVE WE HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN THERE IS ALSO A FEMININE MEMBER OF THE X-MEN, WE SWITCH OUR EVER-SHIFTIN' SCENE TO METRO COLLEGE, WHERE...

I'M GLAD YOU COULD MAKE IT, JEANIE!

I'VE WRITTEN RALPH ALL ABOUT THE GROOVIEST CO-ED ON CAMPUS. BUT, I KNOW HE'D RATHER SEE HER IN PERSON!

HEY! HERE'S MY LONG-LOST SIBLING NOW!

HONK! HONK!

I WOULDN'T HAVE MISSED A CHANCE TO MEET YOUR BROTHER, TED!

AND, MAYBE LEARN WHY TED FEELS SUCH A RIVALRY WITH HIM... SO THAT HE KNOCKS HIMSELF OUT TO EXCEL AT SPORTS!

GREETINGS, TIGER! HOW'S MY FAVORITE SCHOLAR... HUNGRY, AS USUAL?

YOU KNOW IT, RALPHIE!

FIRST, THOUGH, THERE'S SOMEBODY I WANT YOU TO MEET!

AT THIS POINT, WE'LL SKIP THE INTROS... MAINLY 'CAUSE WE NEVER CAN REMEMBER WHO GETS INTRODUCED TO WHOM! THEN...

MY BABY BROTHER ALWAYS DID TEND TO UNDERSTATE THINGS; YOU'RE EVEN PRETTIER THAN HE CLAIMED!

I TRUST HE'S BEEN FILLING YOUR HEAD WITH SHAKESPEAREAN QUOTATIONS!

ACTUALLY, WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT HOW THEY'RE RE-MODELING THE STADIUM!

STADIUM? THAT USED TO BE MY SECOND HOME, GAL! OKAY IF I TAKE A LOOK?

WE'RE WITH YOU, ALUMNUS!

AND, A FEW MINUTES LATER...

THEY MAY HAVE ADDED A NEW SCOREBOARD... BUT, IT'S STILL THE SAME STADIUM WHERE I SET THE SCHOOL RECORD FOR TOUCHDOWN PASSES!

TRY ME, PAL! NAME YOUR POISON!

RALPH'S BOASTING IS ONLY HALF-SERIOUS... AND TED KNOWS IT!

YES, DESPITE HIS KIDDING, I CAN TELL THAT TED FEELS A NEED TO PROVE HIMSELF!

ALL RIGHT, OLD-TIMER... YOU'RE ON! WE'LL SEE HOW GOOD YOU STILL ARE AT POLE-AULTING!

I KNOW YOU HOLD THE RECORD IN THAT, TOO... BUT, I'M STILL BETTIN' I CAN TAKE YOU!

I SEE YOU'RE GONNA HAVE TO LEARN THE HARD WAY!

GET ME A PAIR OF TRUNKS, AND I'LL TEACH YOU TO RESPECT YOUR ELDERS, SONNY BOY!

THUS, SOME GYM CLOTHES ARE QUICKLY FOUND, AND...

HERE'S YOUR POLE, BROTHER. MINE! STILL REMEMBER HOW TO HOLD IT?

JUST WATCH ME! AND WHILE YOU'RE AT IT, YOU MIGHT TAKE NOTES!

TED WILL BE CRUSHED IF HE LOSES IN FRONT OF ME! BUT, THERE'S NO WAY TO STOP THEM NOW!



Any 14 of these

If you join now and agree to buy ten more records (at regular Club prices)



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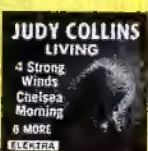
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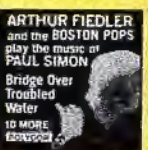
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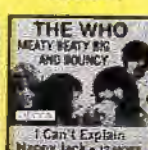
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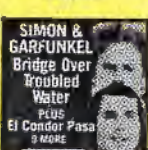
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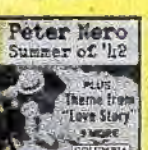
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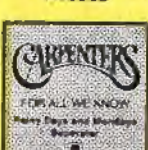
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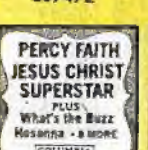
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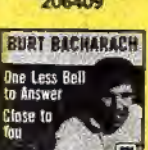
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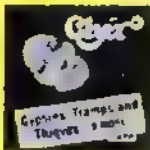
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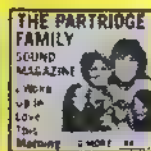
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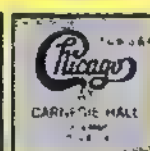
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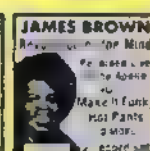
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Yes, it's true! — If you join now, you may have ANY 14 of these records for only \$2.86. Just mail the application at the right, together with your check or money order for \$2.86 in exchange...

You agree to buy just ten records (at regular Club prices) in the coming two years — and you may cancel membership at any time after doing so.

Your own charge account will be opened upon enrollment... and the records you order as a member will be mailed and billed at the regular Club price of \$4.98 or \$5.98 each, plus processing and postage. (Multi-record sets are somewhat higher.)

No, may accept or reject records as follows every four weeks you will receive a new copy of the Club's music magazine, which describes the regular selection for each musical interest... plus hundreds of alternate selections.

If you do not want any record in any month, just return the selection card provided by the date specified.

If you want only the regular selection for your musical interest, you need do nothing — it will be shipped to you automatically.

If you want any of the other records offered, just order them on the selection card and return it by the date specified.

and from time to time we will offer some special albums, which you may reject by returning the special dated form provided... or accept by simply doing nothing.

You are eligible for our bonus plan upon completing your enrollment agreement — a plan which enables you to get one record of your choice free (only 25¢ for processing and postage) for every one you buy thereafter. Act now — fill in and mail the application today!

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COLUMBIA RECORD CLUB, Terre Haute, Indiana 47806

I am enclosing check or money order for \$2.86 as payment for the 14 records below. Please accept my membership application on 1 agree to purchase ten records (at regular Club prices) during the coming two years, and may cancel membership any time thereafter. If I continue, I'll be eligible for your bonus plan.

Send these 14 records — I've enclosed check or money order for \$2.86

All records will be described in advance in the Magazine, sent every four weeks. If I do not want any record, I'll return the selection card by the date specified... or use the card to order any record I want. If I want only the regular selection for my musical interest, I need do nothing — it will be sent automatically. From time to time, I'll be offered special albums which I may accept or reject by using the dated form provided.

MY MAIN MUSICAL INTEREST IS

☐ Easy Listening ☐ Young Sounds ☐ Jazz
☐ Country ☐ Broadway & Hollywood ☐ Classical

☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Miss (Please print) First Name Initial Last Name

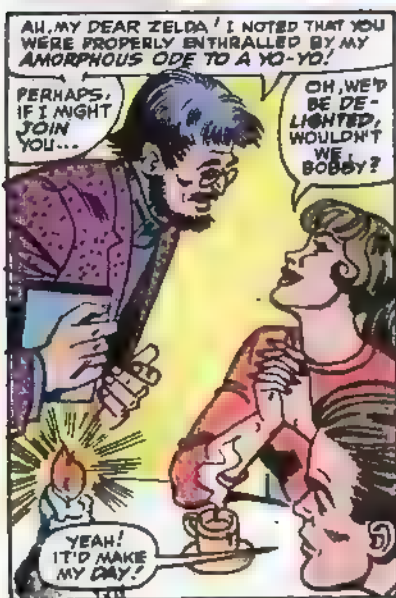
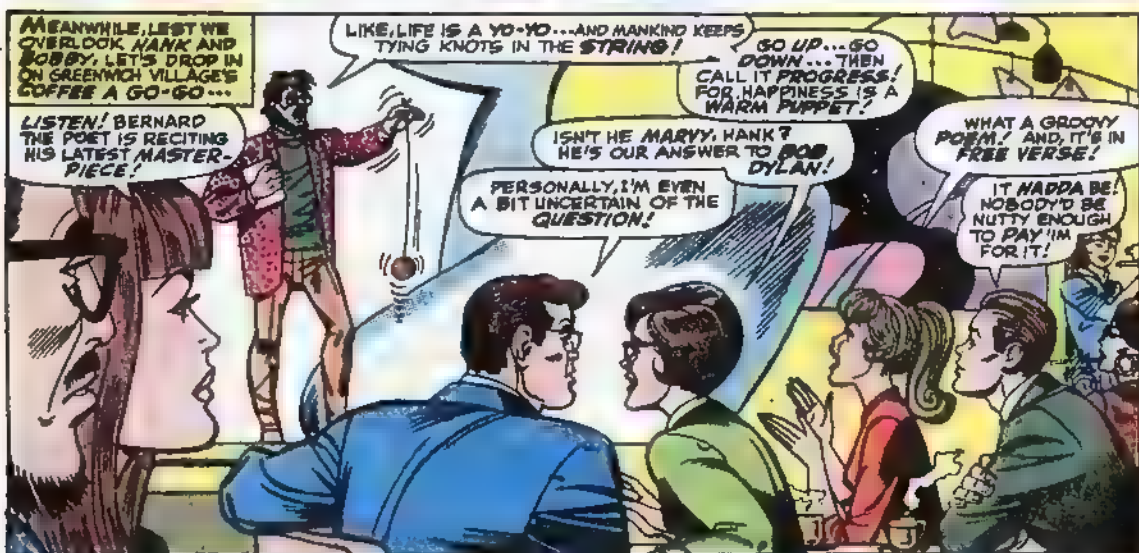
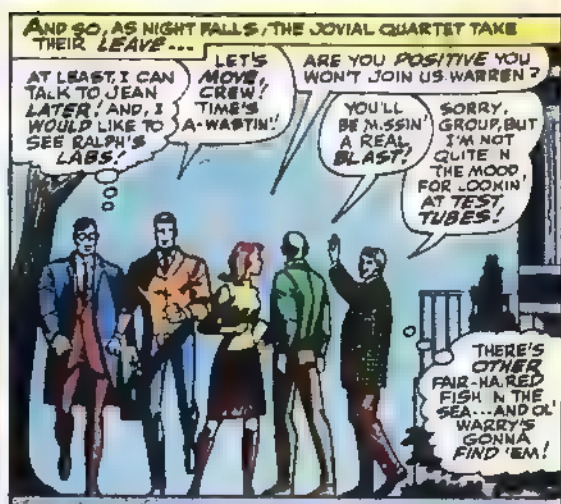
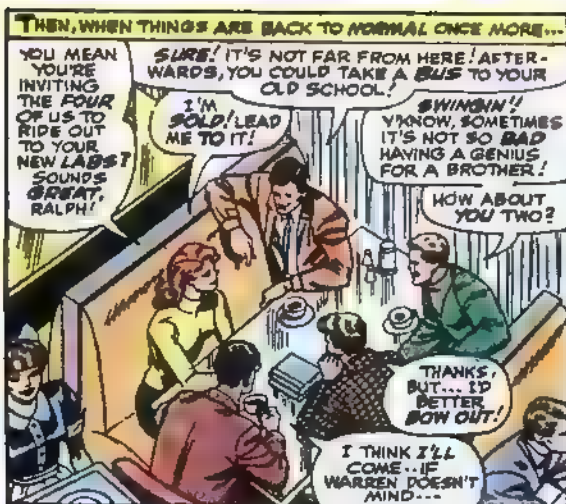
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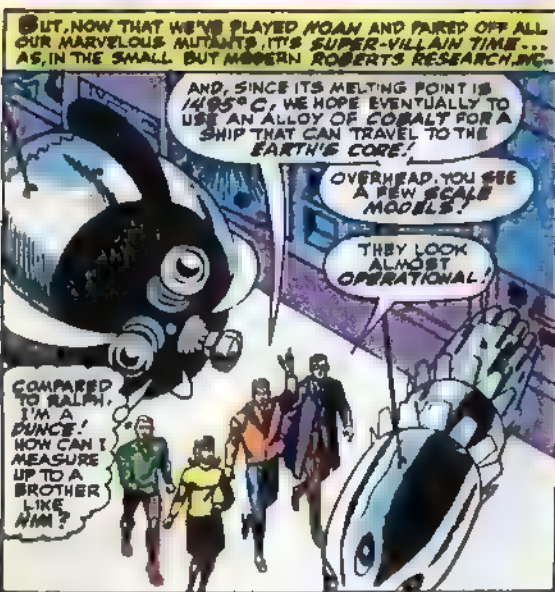
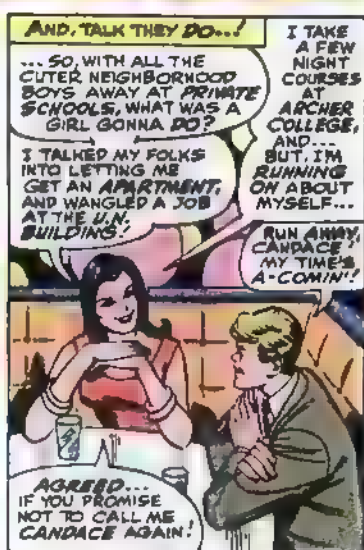
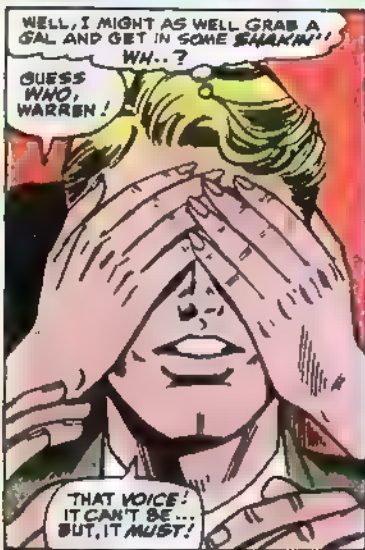
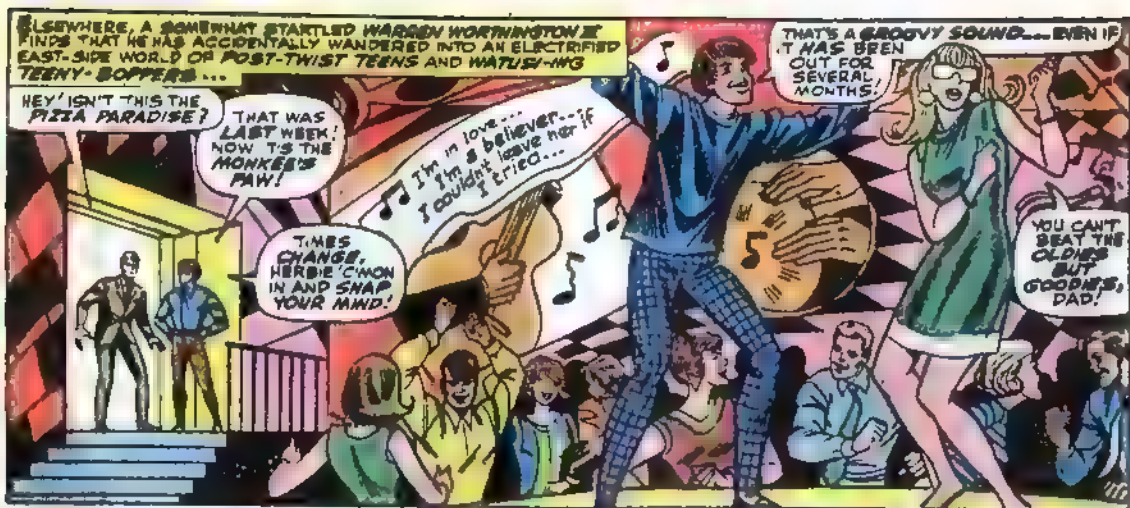
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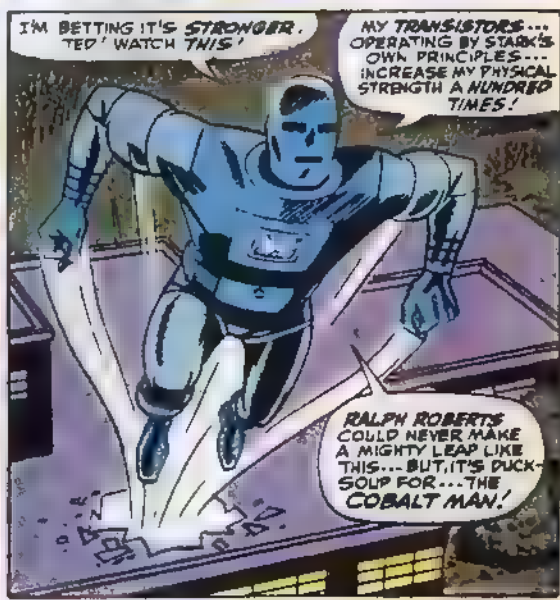
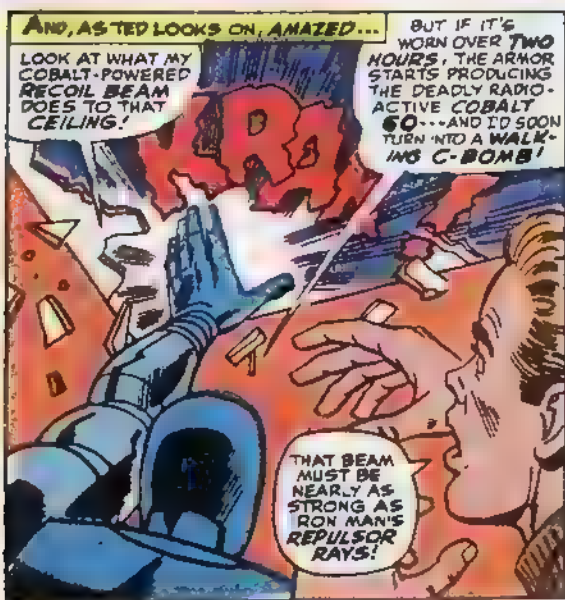
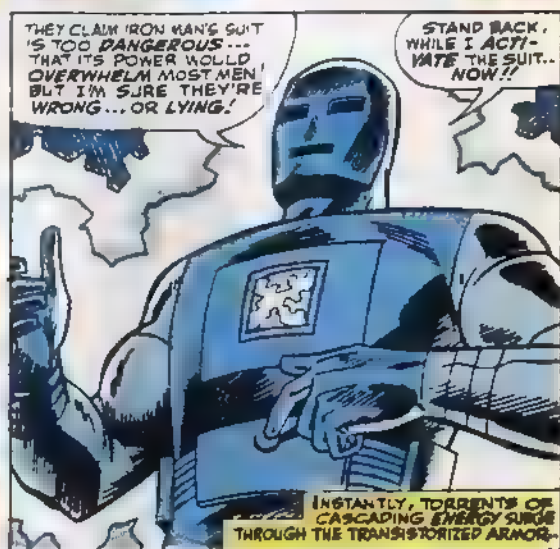
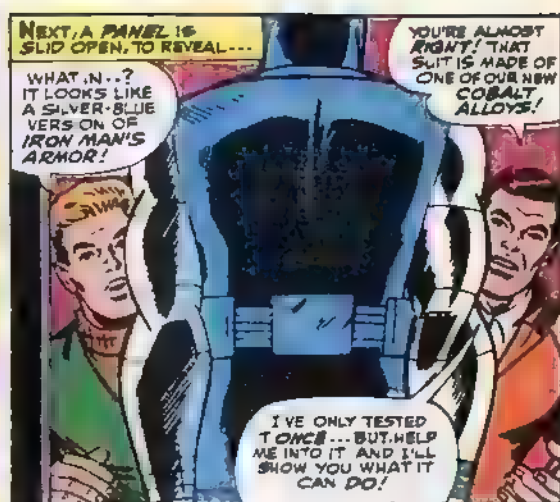
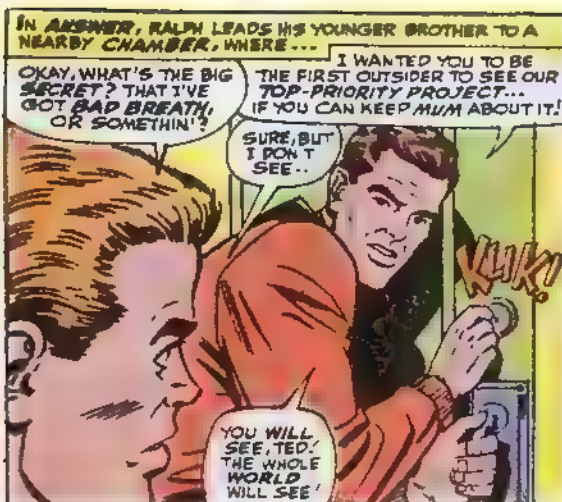
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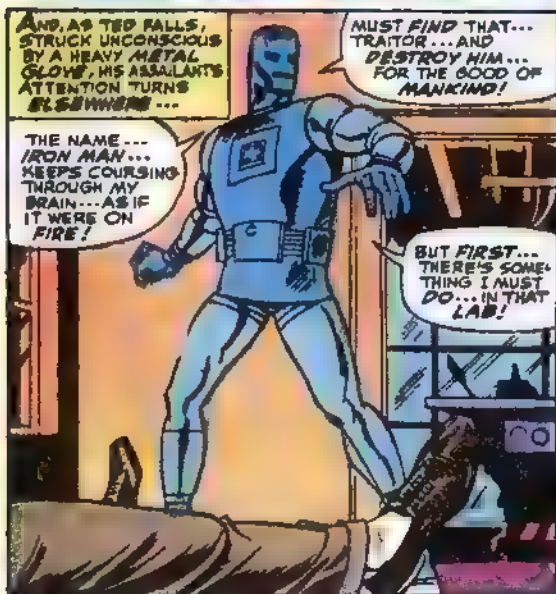
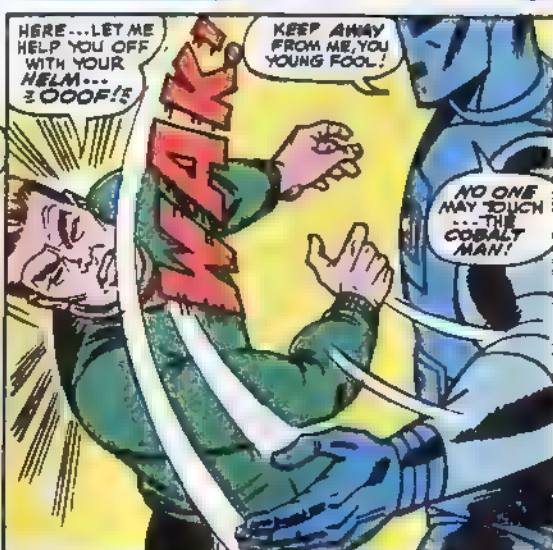
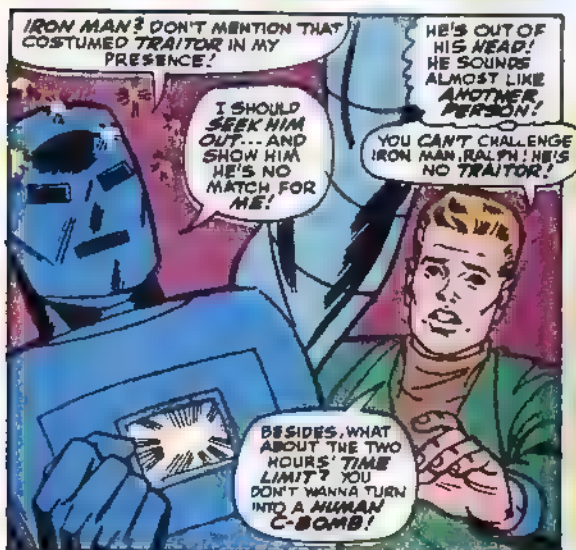
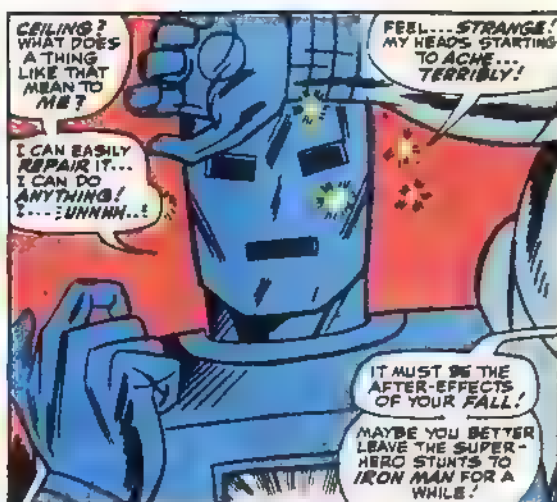
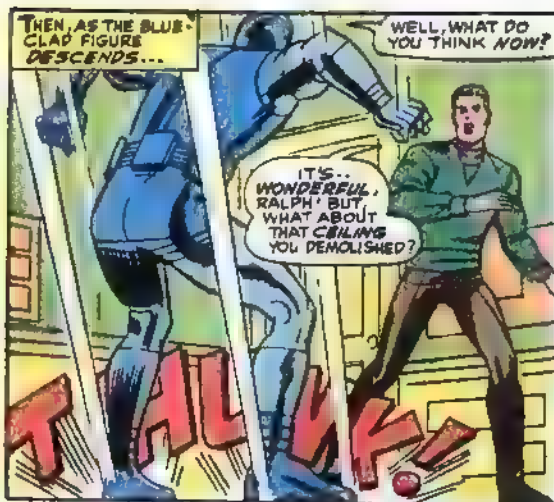
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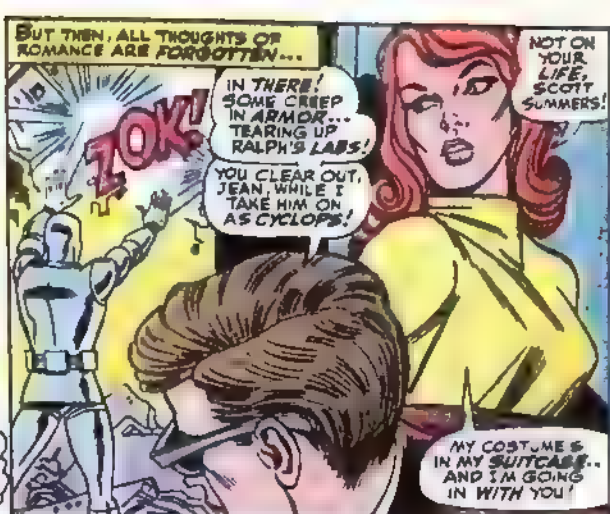
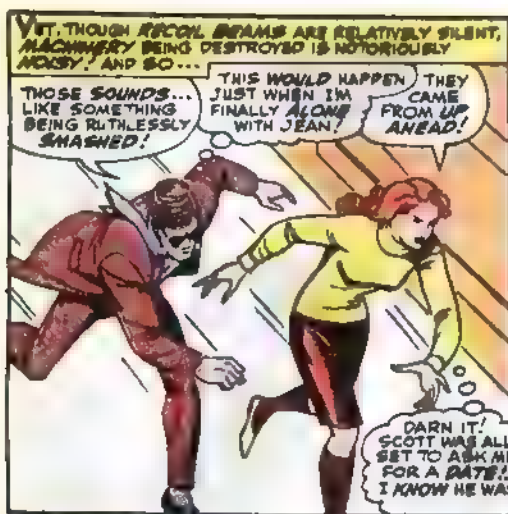
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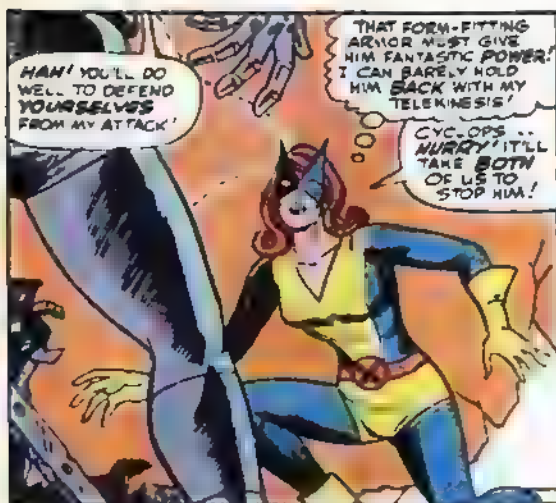
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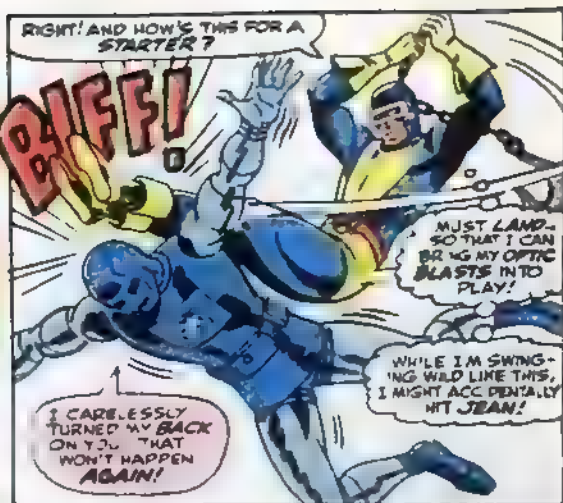




HAW! YOU'LL DO WELL TO DEFEND YOURSELVES FROM MY ATTACK!

THAT FORM-FITTING ARMOR MUST GIVE HIM FANTASTIC POWER! I CAN BARELY HOLD HIM BACK WITH MY TELEKINESIS!

CYCLOPS... HURRY! I'LL TAKE BOTH OF US TO STOP HIM!

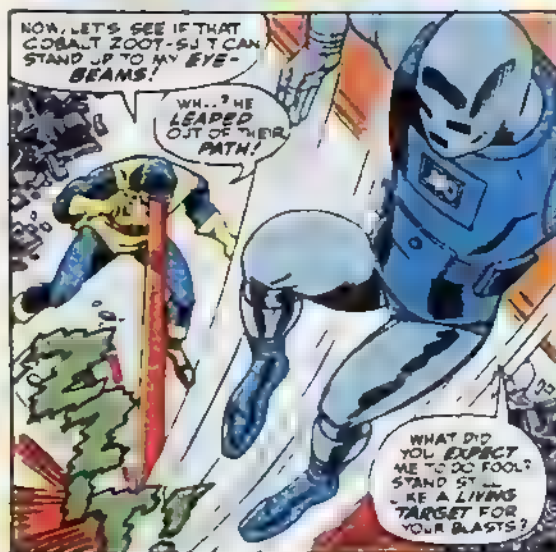


RIFF!

MUST LAND SO THAT I CAN BRING MY OPTIC BLASTS INTO PLAY!

WHILE I'M SWINGING WILD LIKE THIS, I MIGHT ACCIDENTALLY HIT JEAN!

I CARELESSLY TURNED MY BACK ON YOU THAT WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN!



NOW, LET'S SEE IF THAT COBALT ZOOT-SJT CAN STAND UP TO MY EYE-BEAMS!

WH...? HE LEAPED OUT OF THEIR PATH!

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT ME TO DO FOOL? STAND STILL AND BE A LIVING TARGET FOR YOUR BLASTS?



AND, ONCE MORE YOU WSS!

BUT I HAVE TOYED WITH YOU LONG ENOUGH! NOW, COBALT MAN WILL TAKE THE OFFENSIVE!

STAY BEHIND ME MARVEL GIRL WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'LL TRY NEXT!

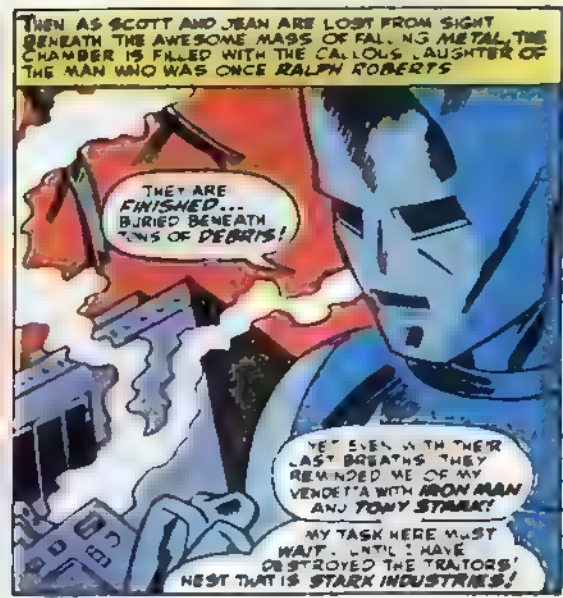
YOU NEEDN'T PROTECT ME! I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF!



CAN YOU? I DOUBT IF EITHER OF YOU CAN... AND NOW I'LL PROVE IT!

LOOK OUT! HE KNOCKED THE SUPPORT OUT FROM UNDER THAT METAL CAB...

HIS RAYS ARE AS POWERFUL AS IRON MAN'S! WE'LL NEVER GET OUT OF THE WAY... IN TIME!



THEN AS SCOTT AND JEAN ARE LOST FROM SIGHT BENEATH THE AWESOME MASS OF FALLING METAL, THE CHAMBER IS FILLED WITH THE CALLOUS LAUGHTER OF THE MAN WHO WAS ONCE RALPH ROBERTS

THEY ARE FINISHED... BURIED BENEATH TONS OF DEBRIS!

YET EVEN WITH THEIR LAST BREATHS THEY REMINDED ME OF MY VENDETTA WITH IRON MAN AND TONY STARK!

MY TASK HERE MUST WAIT... UNTIL I HAVE DESTROYED THE TRAITORS! NEXT THAT IS STARK INDUSTRIES!

...UT, WITH APOLOGIES TO MARK TWAIN, ALL REPORTS OF
HE MUTANTS' DEATHS ARE SOMEWHAT **EXAGGERATED!**
FOR, AS THE SCHIZOPHRENIC SUPER-VILLAIN ZOOMS OFF...

LUCKILY, THE
CAP WAS
HOLLOW! BUT
BLASTING A HOLE
THROUGH THE
BOTTOM EX-
HAUSTED MY
EYE-BEAMS
FOR A
WHILE!

ARE YOU
ALL RIGHT,
JEAN?

JUST A BIT SHAKEN!
YET, MY POWER ALONE
CAN'T **BUDGE** THE
CAP!

WHERE ARE **TED**
AND **RALPH**? HAS
THE COBALT MAN
HARMED
THEM?

WE'D BETTER CONTACT
THE OTHER **X-MEN**--
BUT NOW!

YOU FORGET, JEAN...
PROFESSOR XAVIER
RECENTLY EQUIPPED
US WITH **SIGNAL**
DEVICES INSIDE
OUR WRIST WATCHES!

THIS IS OUR
FIRST CHANCE TO
SEE IF THEY
WORK!

YES, I... I SHOULD
HAVE THOUGHT
OF THAT!

I CAN'T STOP
WORRYING ABOUT
TED... AND WHAT
MIGHT HAVE
HAPPENED
TO HIM!

SCOTT NEVER
PANICS! HE WAS
BORN TO BE A LEADER
OF THE **X-MEN**! BUT, WAS I
BORN TO BE ONE OF THEM?

WE CAN'T CALL THE
PROFESSOR **TELEPATHI-**
CALLY UNLESS WE
OPEN HIS MIND
TO US!

SO, THIS NEW
ELECTRONIC MENTO-
CALL IS DESIGNED
TO HAVE HIM DO
JUST THAT!

I ONLY
HOPE ITS
RANGE
IS GREAT
ENOUGH!

HOWEVER, SCOTT SUMMERS' FEARS PROVE **GROUNDLESS!**
AND, ALMOST INSTANTANEOUSLY, MILES AWAY...

A MENTAL MESSAGE
IS COMING IN... ON
CYCLOPS' FREQUENCY!

HE, NO, CATES
SERIOUS TROUBLE...
BUT NOT IMMEDIATE
PERSONAL **DANGER!**
THEN, I WON'T INTER-
RUPT THESE VITAL
EXPERIMENTS!

BUT I'LL CONTACT THE
REST OF THE
X-MEN... AT
ONCE!

AND SO, SECONDS LATER, AT THE COFFEE À 60-60...

**BONGETY
BONG
BOM!**

HEY, DID THE
COLLEGE
TYPE
LAYIN' 'EM
DOWN?

HE'S AHEAD
OF HIS
TIME!

I THOUGHT YOU SAID
YOU COULDN'T DO THE
MONKEY X HANK!
YOU'RE A NATURAL!

IS THAT
INTENDED AS A
COMPLIMENT,
OR AN INSULT?

UH-OH! A MENTAL
SUMMONS FROM
THE PROFESSOR!

PARDON ME, VERA! I MUST
CONFER FOR A MOMENT
WITH MY MORE COGNIZANT
COLLEAGUE ON A FEW
NEW STEPS!

BUT, HENRY... YOU
WERE DOING SO
WELL ON YOUR
OWN!

BOBBY, LAD... DID YOU...?

LOUD AND
CLEAR,
HANK! WE
BETTER
MOVE...
AND FAST!

ER YOU'LL HAVE TO
PARDON OUR **DUST**, GALS.
BUT, HANK AND I
GOTTA **SPLIT!**

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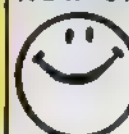
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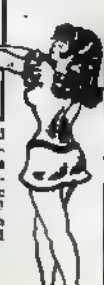
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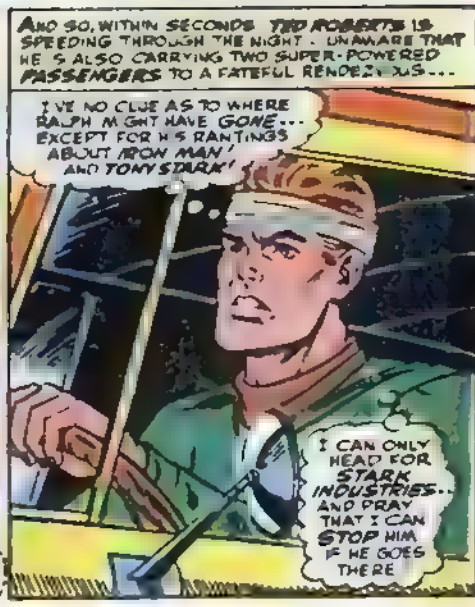
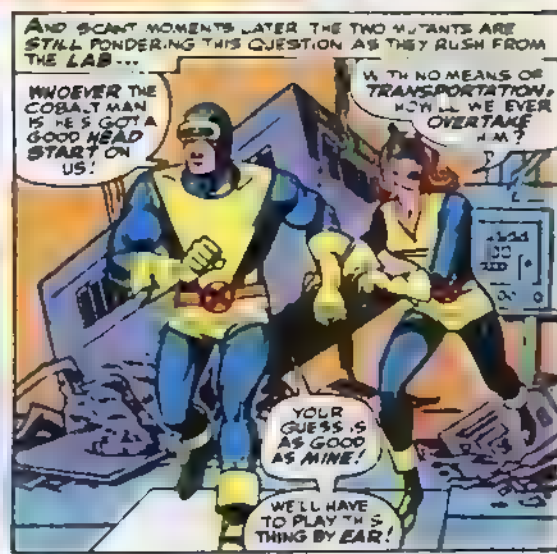
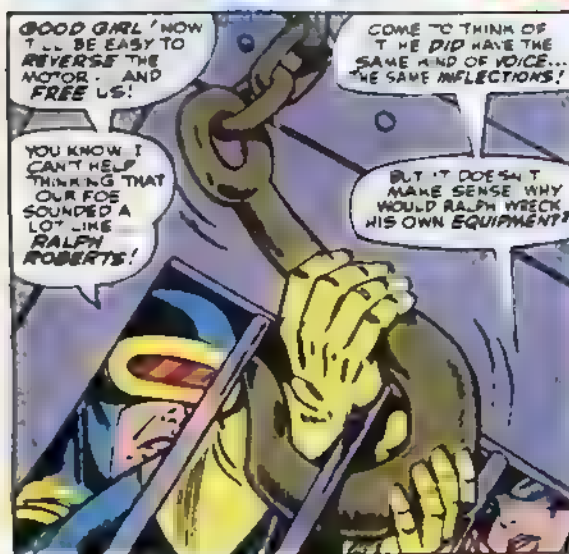
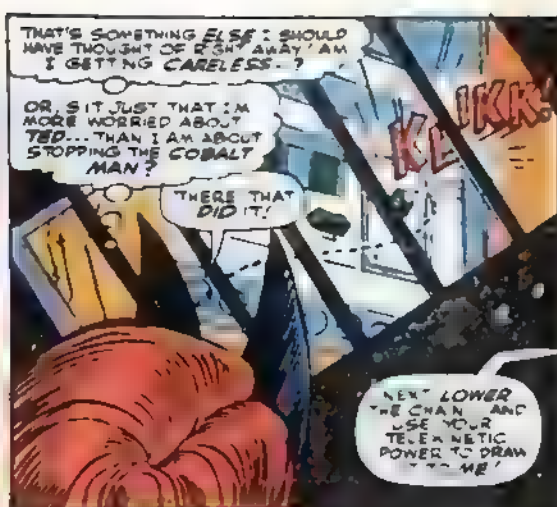
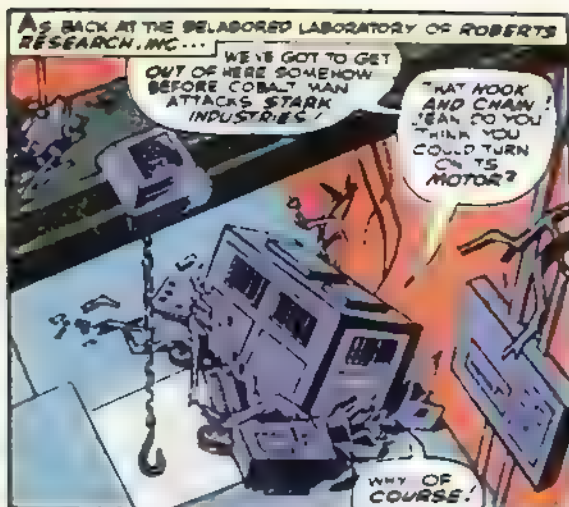
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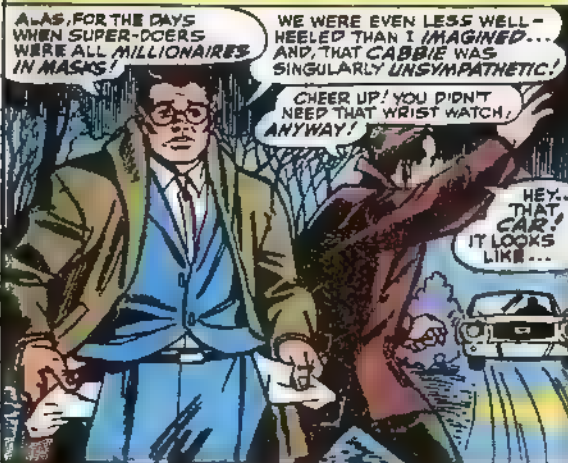
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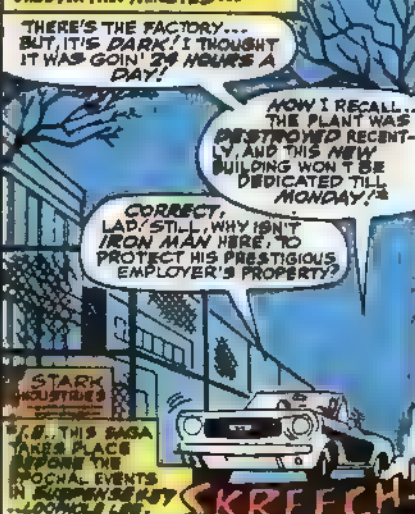
A-AS, FOR THE DAYS WHEN SUPER-DOERS WERE ALL MILLIONAIRES IN MASKS!

WE WERE EVEN LESS WELL-HEELED THAN I IMAGINED... AND, THAT CABBIE WAS SINGULARLY UNSYMPATHETIC!

CHEER UP! YOU DIDN'T NEED THAT WRIST WATCH, ANYWAY!

HEY... THAT CAR! IT LOOKS LIKE...

THIS, WITHIN MINUTES...



THERE'S THE FACTORY... BUT, IT'S DARK! I THOUGHT IT WAS GOIN' 24 HOURS A DAY!

NOW I RECALL... THE PLANT WAS DESTROYED RECENTLY, AND THIS NEW BUILDING WON'T BE DEDICATED TILL MONDAY!

CORRECT, LAD! STILL, WHY ISN'T IRON MAN HERE, TO PROTECT HIS PRESTIGIOUS EMPLOYER'S PROPERTY?

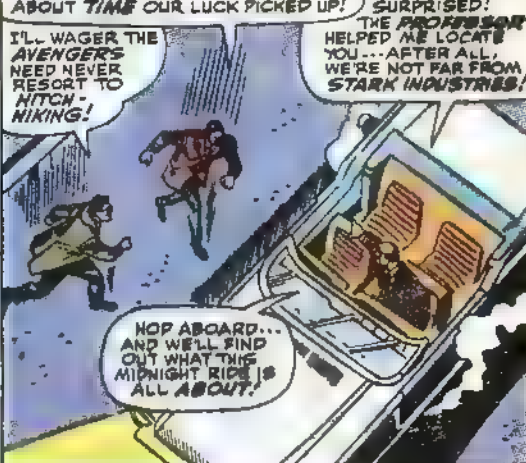
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U.S. THIS SAGA TAKES PLACE BEFORE THE POCHAL EVENTS IN SUPERHEROY... LOGGERS LEE.

SKREECH!

AT THIS POINT, JUST IN CASE A FEW MIXED-UP MARVELITES SHARE HANK'S BEWILDERMENT, WE'D BEST MENTION THAT TONY STARK HAS A DATE THIS VERY EVENING! (AFTER ALL, EVEN IRON MAN CAN'T BE EVERYWHERE!)



WARRY! WADDAYA KNOW! IT'S ABOUT TIME OUR LUCK PICKED UP! DON'T LOOK SO SURPRISED! THE PROFESSOR HELPED ME LOCATE YOU... AFTER ALL, WE'RE NOT FAR FROM STARK INDUSTRIES!



I'LL WAGER THE AVENGERS NEED NEVER RESORT TO MITCH-HIKING!

THE PROFESSOR HELPED ME LOCATE YOU... AFTER ALL, WE'RE NOT FAR FROM STARK INDUSTRIES!

HOP ABOARD... AND WE'LL FIND OUT WHAT THIS MIDNIGHT RIDE IS ALL ABOUT!

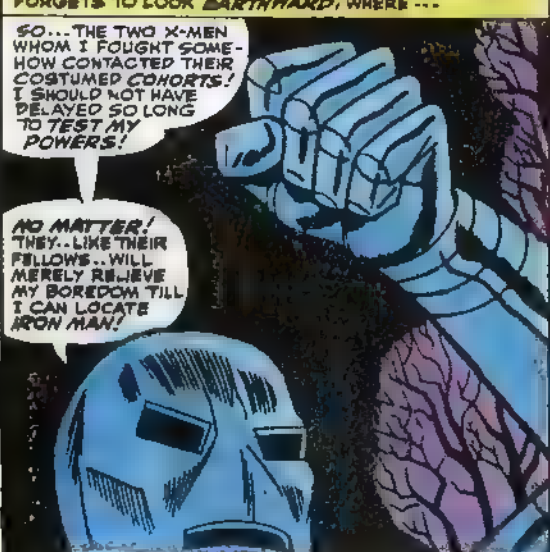
THEN, AFTER THE MUSTANG IS CAREFULLY CAMOUFLAGED...



I'LL SEE IF I CAN SPOT ANYTHING MENACING FROM UP HERE!

AH... WHAT A RELIEF TO GET OUT OF MARCH... AND INTO THE SKY ONCE AGAIN!

BUT, IN HIS EXHILARATION, THE ANGEL MOMENTARILY FORGETS TO LOOK EARTHWARD, WHERE...



SO... THE TWO X-MEN WHOM I FOUGHT SOMEHOW CONTACTED THEIR COSTUMED COHORTS! I SHOULD NOT HAVE DELAYED SO LONG TO TEST MY POWERS!

NO MATTER! THEY... LIKE THEIR FELLOWS... WILL MERELY RELIEVE MY BOREDOM TILL I CAN LOCATE IRON MAN!

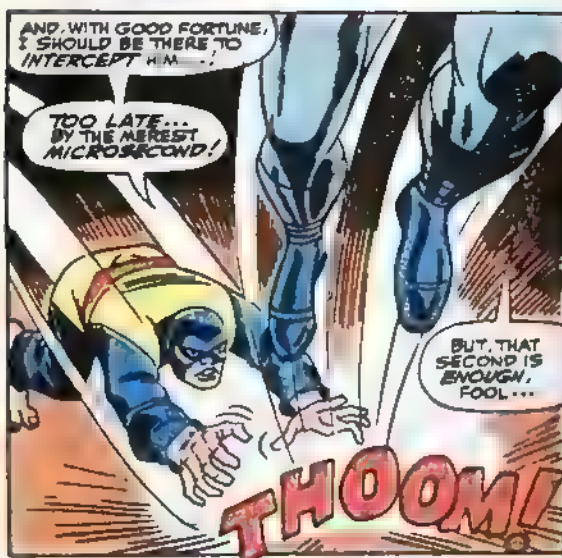
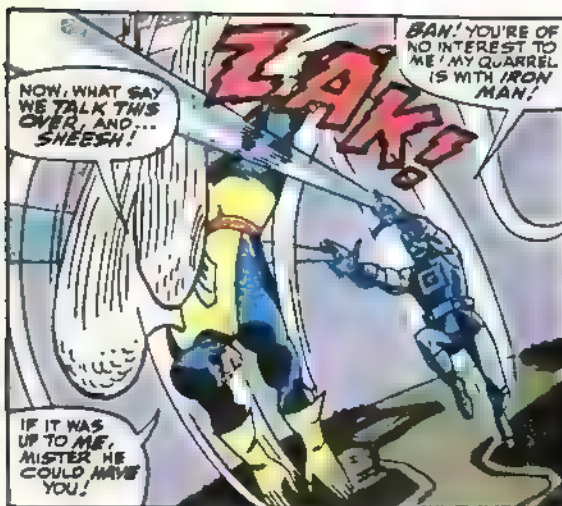
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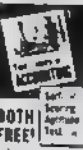
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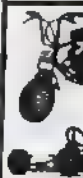


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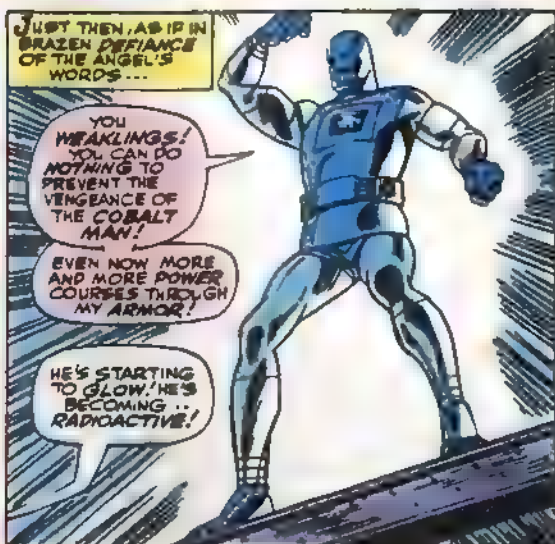
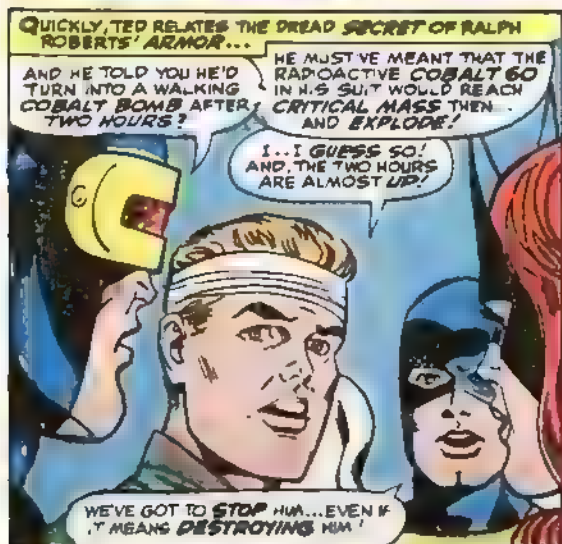
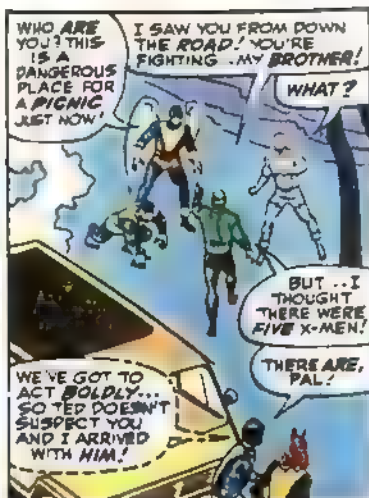
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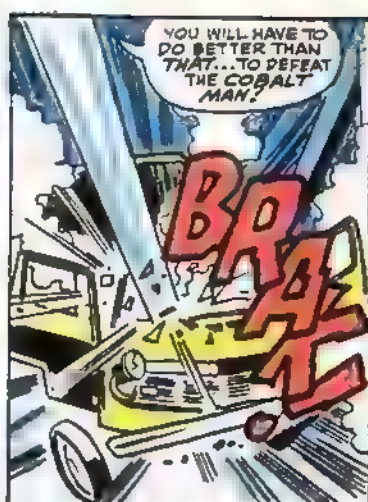
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ME TO DISTRACT
ME SO THAT
THE BEAST
COULD ATTACK
IN THE TRUCK!

BUT HE
WILL FIND IT NO
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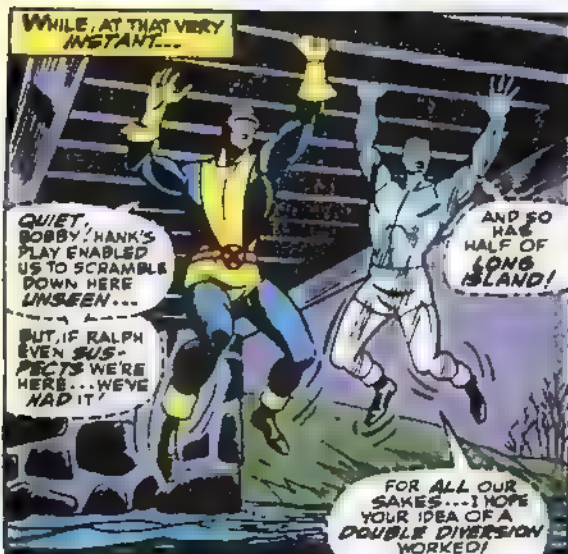


UH OH! TIME
NOW FOR THE
BETTER PART
OF VALOR!

WHAT? DO
YOU SEEK TO
DISLODGE ME
MERELY BY
CRASHING THE
TRUCK INTO
THE BRIDGE?



YOU WILL HAVE TO
DO BETTER THAN
THAT... TO DEFEAT
THE COBALT
MAN!



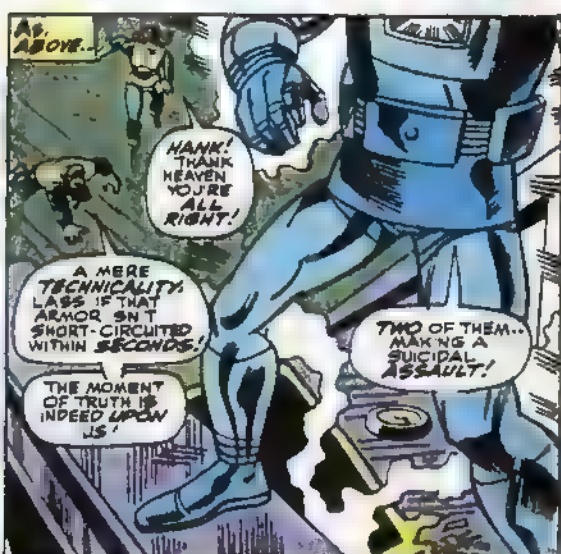
WHILE, AT THAT VERY
INSTANT...

QUIET, BOBBY! HANK'S
PLAY ENABLED
US TO SCRAMBLE
DOWN HERE
UNSEEN...

BUT, IF RALPH
EVEN SUS-
PECTS WE'RE
HERE... WE'VE
HAD IT!

AND SO
HAS HALF OF
LONG
ISLAND!

FOR ALL OUR
SAKES... I HOPE
YOUR IDEA OF A
DOUBLE DIVERSION
WORKED!



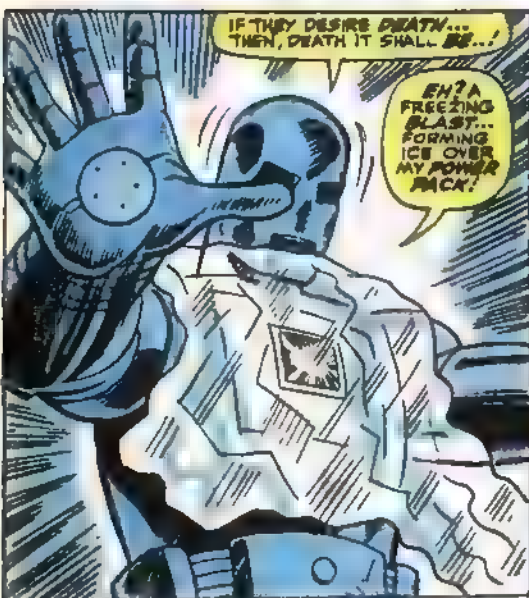
AS
ABOVE...

HANK!
THANK
HEAVEN
YOU'RE
ALL
RIGHT!

A MERE
TECHNICALITY
BASS IF THAT
ARMOR SN'T
SHORT-CIRCUITED
WITHIN SECONDS!

THE MOMENT
OF TRUTH IS
INDEED UPON
US!

TWO OF THEM...
MAKING A
SUICIDAL
ASSAULT!



IF THEY DESIRE DEATH...
THEN, DEATH IT SHALL BE...

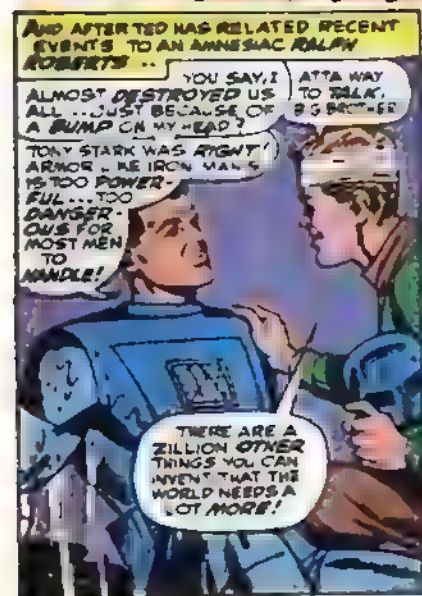
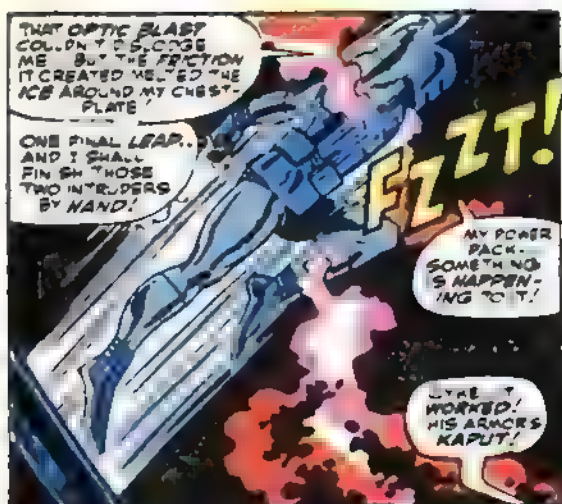
EN? A
FREEZING
BLAST...
FORMING
ICE OVER
MY POWER
PACK!



TWO MORE...
ATTACKING FROM
BENEATH THE
BRIDGE! BUT, THEY'LL
COME NO FURTHER!

HE'S SPOTTED
US! GOT TO BLAST
HIM NOW... AND
PRAY!

IF THIS
DOESN'T
WORK,
WE WON'T
LAST TILL
HIS ARMOR
EXPLODES!



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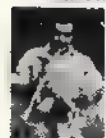
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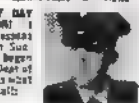
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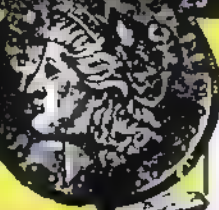
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Excelsior!

Stan

SPECIAL NOTE: DUE TO LACK OF SPACE ON THIS PAGE, THE WINNERS OF THE COMIX INDUSTRY'S OWN 1971 SHAZAM AWARDS ARE ANNOUNCED ON THE LETTERS-PAGE OF CONAN THE BARBARIAN!

ITEM! We know we went into rapturous detail last time about our new mod type jungle opus, SHANNA THE SHE-DEVIL (now on sale, at last), so we won't wax eloquent over it again — except to mention that writer CAROL SEULING and artist GEORGE TUSKA were helped out at the last minute by a bit of additional dialogue from the nifty new bellpoint of STEVE GERBER — a name we predict you'll be seeing a lot more of, in the near future! Steve's an old confidant and correspondent of Roy's, whom he brought east to help himself and STEVE ENGLEHART with the editorial efforts on our ever-expanding comic line! Fact is, S. G.'s first solo scripting effort can already be witnessed, as well — in the current ish of FEAR, as he and RICH BUCKLER team up to raise the mighty Man-Thing to even loftier heights! Try it — you'll like it!

ITEM! Talking about new things, though — the big news this month is a spanking-new title called GOTHIC THRILLERS! That's the mag wherein we plan to present some of the greatest weird tales ever told — by some of the world's finest authors — in full, novel-length glory! And we're starting out with one of the most macabre sagas of all — an eerie little epic called "IT!" The author: none other than THEODORE STURGEON, one of the most widely-acclaimed fantasy authors in the world! Story adaptation by ROY THOMAS, with art by MARIE SEVERIN and FRANK GIACOIA — and an eye-popping cover by one JIM STERANKO! (Yep, that's right — the Jaunty One has returned to the fold at last, and you'll be seeing his signature on a goodly number of our covers in the months to come, including the current ish of another new Marvel biggie, DOC SAVAGE! Welcome home, Mr. S! Now, if you'll just find the time to draw a few panels one of these first fine days...!)

ITEM! And, lest you think that our new JOURNEY INTO MYSTERY and CHAMBER OF CHILLS mags are going to turn into the usual ghosts-and-goblins fare, we invite you to feast your mind and eyes upon the now-on-sale ish of JOURNEY! It features a spine-tingler called "Yours Truly, Jack the Ripper," originally written by none other than ROBERT BLOCH — the far-famed author of Psycho and other wondrous works of mystery and menace! The story adaptation, by the way, is by GIL KANE, and

RON GOULART — and if the latter name looks familiar, it's 'cause Ron himself is a well-known fantasy writer, whose recent novel After Things Fell Apart has received countless rave reviews! Face it, friend — the Top Talent has come home to roost in the House of Ideas — and we wouldn't want it any other way!

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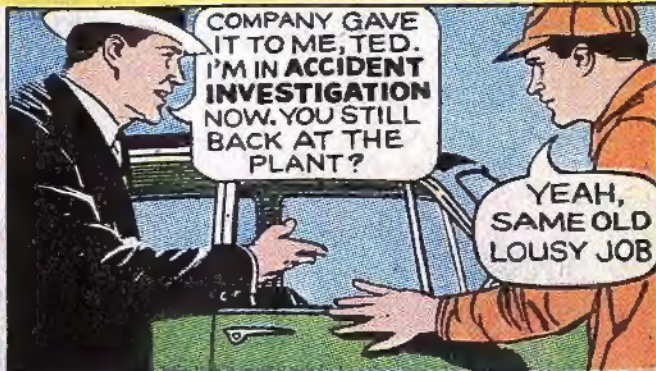




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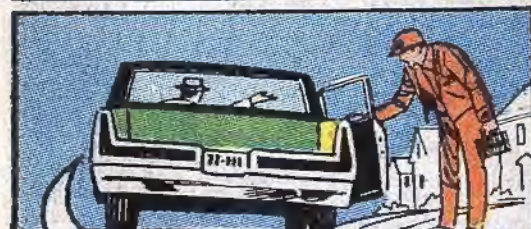


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